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Shoe Closure System

(Title of the Invention)

the specification of which

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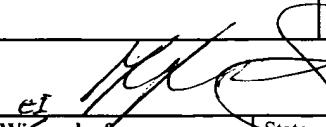
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